

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
REGULAR SESSION
MAY 9, 2026
LCR, CONCHO, OK

RESOLUTION: A Resolution to Authorize the Submission of a Grant Application to the InterTribal Buffalo Council (ITBC) for the Herd Development Grant.

RESOLUTION NO: 11L-RS-2026-05-006
DATE INTRODUCED: April 8, 2026
SPONSOR: Milan Roman Nose, Jr. District C2
CO-SPONSOR: Pamela Sutton, District A1

SUBJECT: A Resolution to Authorize the Submission of a Grant Application to the InterTribal Buffalo Council (ITBC) for the Herd Development Grant.

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are duly recognized by the United States Secretary of the Interior as a self-governing, Sovereign Nation, and are a federally recognized Indian Tribe with all rights, privileges, and powers inherent to that status; and

WHEREAS: The Tribes are organized in accordance with Title 25 of the United States Code, Section 450, the “Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act,” and Article XVII of the Tribes’ Constitution and By-Laws, under an amended Constitution ratified in August 2006 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 17, 2006; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution provides that the Legislative power shall be vested in the Legislature, and grants the Legislature authority to make laws and resolutions for the good of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS: Article VII, Section 4(d) of the Constitution requires prior authorization from the Legislature or Tribal Council for the signing of contracts by the Governor; and

WHEREAS: The InterTribal Buffalo Council offers the Herd Development Grant to assist member Tribes in the development, management, and expansion of their buffalo herds and related infrastructure; and

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are eligible members of ITBC and seek to apply for the Herd Development Grant to support equipment needs, infrastructure improvements, and herd capacity building as part of the Tribes’ long-term buffalo restoration efforts; and.

WHEREAS: This grant will directly support the Tribes' cultural, ecological, and economic goals related to buffalo stewardship and land sustainability.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Eleventh Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes hereby supports and authorizes the submission of a grant application to the InterTribal Buffalo Council for the Herd Development Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Eleventh Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, authorizes Governor Reggie Wassana to sign any and all documents necessary to execute the submission and administration of the grant application.



Kendricks Sleeper
Speaker of the Eleventh Legislature
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:

I, Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Copy of the Original Bill No. 11L-RS-2026-05-006 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in the Fifth Regular Session of the Eleventh Legislature, by a roll call vote on the 9th day of May 2026.

VOTE RECORD:

DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
A1	Pamela Sutton	✓			
A2	Kendricks Sleeper	✓			
A3	Travis Ruiz				✓
A4	Rector Candy	✓			
C1	Bruce Whiteman, Jr.	✓			
C2	Milan Roman Nose, Jr.	✓			
C3	Thomas Trout	✓			
C4	Mariah Youngbull	✓			
TOTAL		7			1
Passes (X) Fails () Tabled () Allowed to Die () No Action ()					

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5, subsection (a) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: “Tie votes in the Legislature shall be decided by the Governor.”

		YES	NO	ABSENT
Governor	Reggie Wassana			


 Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk
 Eleventh Legislature, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:


Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(iv) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: “All Bills passed by the Legislature shall be presented to the Governor for signature or veto. All laws shall take effect thirty days after signature by the Governor or veto override by the Legislature unless any Member of the Tribes submits to the Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council a petition signed by at least one hundred fifty Members of the Tribal Council seeking to repeal the law or resolution at the next Tribal Council meeting. If the Tribal Council fails to repeal such law or resolution at the next Tribal Council where the matter has been properly placed on the agenda for the Tribal Council meeting, such law or resolution shall become effective immediately.”

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 4, subsection (g) of the Tribes Constitution reads: “The Governor shall have the power to sign any enactment passed by the Legislature into law or to veto any enactment passed by the Legislature within ten days of passage with a written explanation of any objections; and if the Governor takes no action within ten days, then the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution.”

{ } APPROVED

{ } VETOED: Attachment ____; Governor’s written explanation of any objections.

On the 11th day of May, 2026.



Reggie Wassana, Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



**TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS:
From the Legislative Branch to the Office of Records Management**

ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(v), of the Tribes Constitution reads, “The Office of Records Management shall compile all Laws and Resolutions into a comprehensive Code in an orderly manner that shall be published annually.”

Office of Records Management Staff, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Original Resolution No. 11L-RS-2026-05-006.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:
Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: Cheryl Blind

Print Name: Cheryl Blind

Title: Director

Date: 5/12/2026

Office of Records Management
Department of Administration, Executive Branch
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

